

HONORED IN JAPAN

ORDER OF RISING SUN CONFERRED
ON MR. DAVIDSON'S SON.

Governor General Count Kabayama of the Island of Formosa Executes the Imperial Wish in the Absence of an American Consul—The Insignia of Decoration Was Earned for Valuable Services Rendered the Japanese Army in Giving Them Information by Which They Captured the Capital.

Mr. C. H. Davidson, vice president of the Kansas National bank of this city is in receipt of a letter from Japan announcing a distinguished honor being conferred on his son James Wheeler Davidson by the emperor of Japan.

Mr. Davidson, who is war correspondent in the Orient is attached to the Japanese forces at Formosa and was honored on Christmas eve by having the order of the Rising Sun conferred on him to express the Imperial thanks for services rendered the Japanese troops on June 16, 1895.

In the absence of an American consul in Formosa the insignia was formerly handed to Mr. Davidson by Governor General Count Kabayama on the 24th of December, at the capital, Taipei.

This young journalist is a cousin of Major Pond, the well known New York lawyer and manager, and was connected with the American forces of Sir Edwin Arnold, Max O'Hell, P. Marion Crawford, Lieutenant Peary, and other celebrities. He was a member of the Peary Arctic expedition of 1893-4, and while in North Greenland, on the eternal ice-cap, narrowly escaped with his life. In rescuing two companions from a snow drift, his left foot was badly frozen, although the foot was saved, it never healed properly, and hindered him greatly in his work in Formosa.

Upon returning to America from the expedition, he left for Japan as correspondent of the Inter Ocean, arriving there in December, 1894. In March 1895, he reached Formosa where he was attached to the Chinese army, until the arrival of the Japanese three months later. Mr. Davidson at once joined the Japanese troops, having been granted permission by Commander-in-chief Prince Kitashirakawa, of the Imperial body guard, and was in the field with this division for four months, when he was transferred to the second division, with which he will remain until civil control is established. He has been the only foreign correspondent in Formosa, and through his syndicate, including Oriental papers, has practically supplied the world with the only news from that island.

It was shortly after his joining the Japanese forces (June 16), that he and two other foreigners made their hazardous ten-mile trip through the rebels' country, to reach the Japanese lines, for the purpose of informing the commander of the true condition of the capital, and to request him to send troops at once, that lives and property might be saved, for which service the Emperor of Japan conferred upon him and his two companions, the order of the Rising Sun.

This honor came to Mr. Davidson during the Christmas week, when on December 23, Mr. Sano, one of the government officials, called at his quarters, and made the following little speech: "Mr. Davidson: I come to you today, officially, as the representative of His Excellency, Count Kabayama. I have with me, entrusted with the honor of presenting you with the insignia and diploma of the order of the Rising Sun, conferred upon you by His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, for valuable services rendered the Japanese army in Formosa."

The decoration, or medal, is most beautiful. In the center of the pendant is a large carbuncle—a beautiful gem of the purest color. The pendant is made of gold with enamel work, and twenty gold rays and twelve silver rays running out from the center. The diploma is on heavy parchment, with the emperor's seal and signature, and is signed as follows: the numerous official seals and signatures are omitted:

"We, the emperor of Japan, who sit with the heavenly approval on the Imperial Throne of the perpetual line, hereby confer upon you, Mr. Davidson, the honor of presenting you with the insignia and diploma of the order of the Rising Sun, conferred upon you by His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, for valuable services rendered the Japanese army in Formosa."

Signed at Tokio Palace, this 25th day of the Eleventh month, on the 25th year of Meiji, or 265th year from the ascending to the throne of Jimmu Tenno.

The last conferring of the order of the Rising Sun by the emperor of Japan, previous to Mr. Davidson, was upon the well known English author, Sir Edwin Arnold, in 1891.

Mr. Davidson is a young man of only twenty-three, and was barely twenty-one when selected by Lieutenant Peary as one of the members of his Arctic expedition. He is said to be the youngest explorer who ever crossed the Arctic circle. Probably there is no other man of his age in America who can show so wide, extensive and eventful a record as a traveler.

The following is an extract from the Japan Daily Herald published in Yokohama, Japan, concerning the decoration:

"Perhaps one of the most brave, most heroic, exploits of the whole campaign in Formosa was the relief of Taipei and the suburb of Tientsin, where the foreigners carry on the tea business. It seems the Chinese soldiers who were beaten and driven from Kelung fled to Tientsin along the railway lines. Upon reaching here they all joined in a general raid, looting, burning and murdering among the inhabitants and their own countrymen. Twenty thousand men, smothering under defeat, was an ugly crowd to have near Tientsin, so it occurred to the foreigners there that the sooner the Japanese came the better. A meeting was held, and three young men (Mr. James W. Davidson,

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IS WON BY WICHITA

CITY COUNCIL SEALS PROPOSITIONS
FOR A FACTORY.

Switch Will be Immediately Constructed on Waco Avenue From the Missouri Pacific Road to the Factory South of Douglas Avenue Near the East End of the Bridge—Feeders and Headers Will be Constructed Here—Oswego, La. and Fort Scott Both After the Plan, But It Was Secured Here.

The council meeting last night was an unusually important one, and steps were taken which will secure to Wichita an important factory which will furnish labor and employment to a large number of men.

It has been known for some time that Wichita men have been endeavoring to secure the manufacture at Wichita of an improved feeder and header apparatus, and that the Wichita Pump company have made many castings for the company, which is now backed by Iowa capitalists.

Three places, Oswego, Fort Scott and Wichita, were all striving for the factory but yesterday Mr. Hoffman agreed that if the city council would pass a petition granting the company the right-of-way to build a switch on Waco avenue from the Missouri Pacific railroad to the factory, he would build a switch on Douglas avenue, that the company would immediately put in the switch and the factory would be established here. The following petition was presented and granted at last night's meeting and as a consequence there is general rejoicing. The petition reads:

"Wichita, Kan., Feb. 10, 1896.
To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Wichita, Kansas:

"We, your petitioners, respectfully ask and pray your honorable body to grant to C. A. Hoffman the privilege to construct a switch on Waco avenue, from the south side of Douglas avenue, in a northerly direction across said street and along the east side of Waco avenue to a connection with the tracks of the Missouri Pacific railroad. Said track to be located and constructed under the direction of the city engineer and at all times to conform to and be on a level with the established grade of said street, and to keep open and clear on both sides of rails to a level with the top of rails and kept in such manner as not to materially interfere with the free passage of travel and traffic over and upon said streets and no cars or trains to impede or occupy said Douglas avenue crossing more than four minutes at a time. Speed of trains over said streets to be regulated to the regular dimensions of the city of Wichita relating to such crossings.

"The Wichita Plumbing and Pump Co., J. N. Chapple, President.
"C. A. Hoffman Manufacturing Co., Per M. A. Carvin.
"W. M. Pond & Co.
"The Holmes Self-Feeder Co., Per N. Dennis."

All the councilmen were present excepting Mr. Minnick and R. P. McLean, and Mayor Cox requested that Benjamin should be present hereafter or else that his photo should be forthcoming as it had been reported that Benjamin had said he would not come. Councilman Kanter on the golden side and he wanted the councilmen to either deny the allegations or beg pardon.

The police committee filed the following doleful report for the month of January:

"Wichita, Kan., Feb. 10, 1896.
To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Wichita, Kansas:
"We hereby certify that we have audited all the claims presented against the police department of the city of Wichita, Kansas, and that the following named persons are entitled and have been allowed the amounts set opposite their names for services rendered or supplies furnished during the month of January, 1896:

C. E. Burrows, chief, horse and buggy	100.00
S. M. Tucker, police judge	65.67
W. G. Burr, sanitary police, horse and buggy	60.00
J. W. Ivor, police	50.00
R. H. Downing, police	50.00
J. A. Rensselaer, police	50.00
J. W. Dunbar, police	50.00
Ben Reynolds, police	50.00
M. M. Sutton, police	50.00
W. W. Haines, police	50.00
J. N. Harmon, police	50.00
A. R. Jenkins, police	50.00
J. F. Kerwin, police	50.00
Jim Antrim, police	50.00
C. R. Stewart, police	50.00
Lou Aspey, police	50.00
D. F. Parks, police	50.00
John Fisher, police	50.00
R. F. Draper, police	50.00
J. H. Porby, police	50.00
G. M. Greene, special police	13.36
Eight days	3.00
Tucker Printing, horse warrants	2.00
H. O. Kincaid, hack	1.70
C. E. Burrows, incidentals	1.35
Crystal Ice Co., ice	10.00
J. N. Harmon, horse and buggy	2.00
John Busch, fireman	1.93
Wichita Eagle, Daily Eagle three months	15.00
Orto Kuylen, 30 meals at 14c	4.20
James Howard, patrol wagon	17.50
Total expense for month of January, 1896	1208.77

Amount of fines collected and paid into city treasury 75.75
Balance due and necessary to be appropriated by the mayor and council for payment of above salaries and expenses of the police department for January, 1896 1133.02
The Board of Police Commissioners for the City of Wichita, Kansas.
S. D. LEEBAND, Secretary.

H. K. Tuller petitioned the council for permission to move a two-story house to lots on the west side of Main street, between Third and Central avenues. The petition was granted.

The fire marshal reported the establishment of three new fire alarms. Councilman Burton moved that where expressmen were unable to pay their license tax that they be permitted to work out the same under direction of the city engineer.

Miscellaneous appropriations to the amount of \$342.00 was passed, as also an ordinance making an appropriation of \$465.82 for the prospect.

A new telephone ordinance was passed making a levy of a license tax of \$3 per phone each six months was passed and the old phone ordinance was repealed.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.
(Official.)
Council met in regular session, Mayor Cox in the chair and all councilmen present except Minnick and McLean.

The minutes of the last regular and intervening meetings were read and approved.

On motion of Councilman Oliver the petition was granted to move a two-story frame building on Main street between Third and Central avenues on the west side of the street.

On motion of Councilman Troskors the fire marshal was instructed to issue a permit for the same.

On motion of Councilman Hanning the light committee was instructed to move the blinder from the corner of Second and Douglas streets to the crossing of Chicago avenue by the Missouri Pacific railroad, also the light com-

mittee were instructed to transfer a blinder to College Hill at the terminus of the street car line.

Upon application the draymen were to be permitted to work on the street one day with team or two days without team, for license.

All bills filed against the city to date were read and referred to the proper committees.

A petition for permission to lay a railroad switch from the Missouri Pacific railroad on Waco avenue to and across Douglas avenue was read and Councilman Oliver moved to grant the prayer of petitioner. Councilman Inness moved to amend and refer to the proper committee. The amendment was lost. The original motion was then adopted.

The fire marshal reported new fire alarm boxes placed at the following locations: Corner of Seneca and Chicago, Thirteenth and Topeka, Third and Washington. Also that the box at the Old tank works had been exchanged, and that a box would be placed at corner of Topeka and Pine tomorrow.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of January also the report of the Oak street sales for December and January, also the report of the police commissioners and police judge for the same time was received and referred to the proper committees.

Ordinance No. 1347, entitled an ordinance making appropriations for miscellaneous purposes was read and adopted.

Ordinance No. 1348 entitled an ordinance making appropriations for prospecting purposes was read, the ordinance was read, and the following ordinance placed on its passage and adopted.

Ordinance No. 1349 entitled an ordinance levying a license tax upon telephone companies and to regulate the same and repealing ordinance No. 1312 of the same title, approved July 23, 1895, was read, the rules suspended and the ordinance placed on its passage and adopted.

A prepared ordinance granting the right of way to C. A. Hoffman and the right to construct, operate and maintain a spur or switch railroad track across Douglas avenue, over and along Waco avenue, from the south side of Douglas avenue to the Kansas, Colorado and Pacific railway on Waco avenue in the city of Wichita, Kansas, also regulating the construction, operation and maintenance of such track was read and Councilman Oliver moved to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its passage. Councilman Inness moved to amend and refer to the judiciary committee and city attorney. The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Councilman Burton, council adjourned. L. M. COX, Mayor.
Attest: C. S. SMITH, City Clerk.

SHE WORKED TOO HARD

Case of Roseberry Brought Against Mrs. Roseberry of Bayneville.

Sunday Sheriff Cone went down to Bayneville and arrested Mrs. Sule Roseberry, wife of a prominent farmer named George Roseberry, for insanity.

It seems that on Sunday morning Mrs. Roseberry had a hired man and wanted to kill him. She is not one those women who look with some favor on a young hired man. On the contrary she has always hated him, but could not get rid of him as her husband rather liked him.

Now then this same Mrs. Roseberry owns 400 acres of land without a penny of indebtedness against it and that being the case she says she has to get up in the morning, beat the house, milk the cows and get breakfast before her husband and the hired man leave the bed.

Sheriff Cone thinks it is overwork that has caused her nervousness which her husband claims is insanity.

The case was to have been tried yesterday but it was postponed until 11 o'clock today.

Wichita has been engaged to take charge of the interests of the wife, while Judge Wall will represent the husband.

It is possible that some sensational evidence will develop during the trial.

Miss Nannie Oliver of Kansas City is in the city visiting her mother and many friends.

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WILL TAKE A HAND

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION IS INTERESTED.

While the United States District Court is Getting Ready for the Game of Freezing Out Next Month the President of the Commission Calls for a Hand and Says He Will See Which is the Biggest, This Government or the Railroads. This Government or the Railroads. This Government or the Railroads.

The Eagle this morning will carry the joyful news to all true Wichitans that the United States commerce commission has joined hands with Wichita in an effort to see that just freight rates are secured.

As is well known, the case which has been pending in the United States district court against the Missouri Pacific railroad for the discrimination of the freight rates between this city and St. Louis, and between Omaha and St. Louis, will be brought up at the next term of court which convenes on March 5th.

This is the celebrated case in which Judge Williams overruled the demurrer filed to the petition in a lengthy opinion which was printed in the Eagle at the time, and so favorably spoken of by the entire legal profession.

This forced the case to trial upon its merits, and the defendant, the railroad by its attorneys filed a thirteen page typewritten answer.

The whole case hinges upon the proposition whether or not the same road can charge almost double rate between St. Louis and Wichita, to what they charge between St. Louis and Omaha, the distance being greater to Omaha than to Wichita.

There was a move to try and secure the aid of the interstate commerce commission to assist the city in the case, and the following letter received yesterday by Mr. J. E. Howard of the Union mills, who has followed this case from its inception. The letter reads as follows:

Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, February 6, 1896.
Dear Sir:—Yours written as long ago as November 30th, last, respecting freight rates, and more especially relating to the case of the United States vs. Missouri Pacific Railway Co., pending in the United States court in Kansas, was duly received.

The limited appropriations made for carrying into effect the act to regulate commerce by the commission leaves us without the necessary funds for employing additional or assistant counsel. As you probably know, it is made the duty of the United States district attorney to appear and prosecute in all cases instituted at the instance of the interstate commerce commission. Still, we have used the funds within our control to secure assistants to aid the United States attorney in very important cases, and we have, in view of suggestions from yourself and others because of our idea of the importance of this case, authorized Mr. Perry, the district attorney, to employ an assistant at our expense to aid him in preparing and hearing the case in the Kansas court, also in taking testimony and we have agreed to pay more than either of the sums mentioned by you, leaving the selection of the assistant to Mr. Perry's discretion. Respectfully yours, W. R. MORRISON, Chairman.

It is said to be a fact that notwithstanding the fact that the railroad commission has given a rate on coal to Wichita that the railroads pay no heed to the order and 25 per cent excess is charged upon every ton of coal brought to this city, and that an injunction case will be brought to compel obedience of the order in court.

There is not a town, city or village in southern Kansas or Oklahoma but what is interested in the outcome of this suit and all should rejoice that at last the interstate commerce commission has joined hands with the Wichita people in seeing that justice is done, and that the railroads are forced to obey.

"It should be the work of the commercial club," said a shipper last night to an Eagle reporter "to see that evidence is forthcoming. I am really glad that the railroads have conspired to steal last year's crop of corn. It has had the effect of driving corn out of the market, but the outrageous steal will arouse the people to action and when once aroused they will act. I am glad to hear that the interstate commerce commission have taken a hand in the deal. This looks like business."

Mr. Smith Monette, living just west of the city, drove to a literary exercise several miles from his home a few nights ago, and it became necessary for him to return on foot, as his horse managed to smash his buggy quite badly while near the farm house on his journey. No one was hurt, however.

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